

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31

Legislative Day # 4**BILL NO. 2012-03**

Introduced by: Charles County Commissioners

NURSING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Date introduced: 02 / 07 / 2012

Public Hearing: 02 / 28 / 2012

Commissioners Action: 03 / 20 /2012

Commissioner Votes: CQK: Y, RC: Y, KR: Y, DD: Y, BR: Y

Pass/Fail: Pass

Effective Date: 05 / 04 / 2012

Remarks:

1 **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**

2
3 **2012 Legislative Session**

4
5 Bill No. 2012-03

6 Chapter No.: 190

7 Introduced By: Charles County Commissioners

8 Date of Introduction: February 7, 2012

9
10 **BILL**

11
12 AN ACT concerning

13 **NURSING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

14
15 FOR the purpose of

16 Correcting and updating regulations concerning the County Nursing Scholarship
17 Program.

18
19 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments

20 Chapter 190 – Nursing Scholarship Program

21 Section 190-1

22 *Code of Charles County, Maryland*

23 *(1994 Edition, 1995 Supplement)*

24
25 **SECTION 1.** BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
26 CHARLES

27 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Charles County, Maryland read as follows:

28 **CHAPTER 190**

29 **NURSING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

30 **Section 190-1. Legislative authority; administration.**

31 A. A scholarship program is authorized by Chapter 114 of the Code of Public

1 Local Laws of Charles County for courses of study leading to a certificate,
2 diploma or other evidence of qualification to practice on completion of
3 specialized training in categories as defined in these guidelines.

4 B. The Scholarship program is administered by the County Commissioners of
5 Charles County, Maryland, through the Clerk to the County Commissioners. The
6 Charles County Scholarship Committee, as defined herein, shall be an advisory
7 and recommending agency.

8 C. THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND,
9 MAY APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH
10 THE COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND OR OTHER APPROPRIATE
11 NON-PROFIT AGENCY TO ADMINISTER SOME OR ALL ASPECTS OF
12 THIS PROGRAM IN LIEU OF THE ADMINSTRATIVE PROCESS AND
13 RESPONSIBILITES OUTLINED IN THIS CHAPTER. SUCH MOU MAY
14 OUTLINE DIFFERENT ELIGIBILITY, STUDY AREA, FUND USE, AND
15 AWARD CRITERIA, AS WELL AS OTHER ADMINSTRATIVE POLICIES,
16 PROCEDURES AND FORMS DEEMED APPROPRIATE AND ACCEPTABLE
17 TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY,
18 MARYLAND.

19 **Section 190-2. Eligibility**

20 Scholarships may be awarded by the County Commissioners to an individual who is a
21 Charles County resident, makes application for a scholarship in accordance with these
22 guidelines and whose application is reviewed and favorably recommended by the Charles
23 County Scholarship Committee.

24 **Section 190-3. Study areas and fund use.**

25 A. Scholarships may be provided for study in the following areas:

- 26 (1) Nursing.
27 (2) X-ray technician.
28 (3) Laboratory technician.
29 (4) Physical therapist.
30 (5) Occupational therapist.
31 (6) Respiratory therapist.

1 (7) Speech therapist.

2 B. Scholarships will be awarded subject to funding made available by the
3 County

4 Commissioners for this purpose.

5 C. Scholarship funds may be used toward tuition, books, lab fees and
6 registration fees.

7 D. Scholarships may be awarded for study at any accredited institution
8 located within

9 Maryland, Virginia or Washington, DC, which offers courses of instruction in the
10 scholarship recipient's field.

11 **Section 190-4. Charles County Scholarship Committee.**

12 A. Composition. The County Commissioners shall appoint five (5) individuals to
13 comprise the Charles County Scholarship Committee. The Committee shall be
14 comprised of a doctor of medicine, an educator, a nurse and two (2) other
15 individuals as determined by the County Commissioners.

16 B. Terms. Each Committee member shall be appointed to a four-year term;
17 provided, however, that the terms of three (3) of the initially appointed members
18 shall be for one (1), two (2) and three (3) years, respectively, so as to provide for
19 staggered terms.

20 C. Duties. The Committee shall review applications for scholarships and make
21 recommendations to the County Commissioners with regard to each application.
22 Application shall be considered on the basis of demonstrated aptitude, interest,
23 ability, financial need and the community's projected need for individuals with the
24 requested training.

25 D. Funding. The amount of each scholarship shall be recommended by the
26 Scholarship
27 Committee to the County Commissioners.

28 **Section 190-5. Applications for scholarships.**

29 A. All applicants to whom a scholarship is awarded by the County Commissioners
30 shall

31 furnish a surety bond to the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland,

1 in
2 such amount and with such surety as the Commissioners may determine.
3 (1) The condition of said surety bond shall be that the applicant, provided that
4 he or
5 she complete the course of study for which the scholarship is awarded,
6 practices
7 in his or her field in Charles County for a period of time that equates to not
8 less
9 than two (2) years of full-time employment following completion of such
10 course
11 of study.
12 (2) This practice shall be at [Physicians Memorial Hospital] CIVISTA
13 MEDICAL
14 CENTER, the Charles County Nursing Home or the Charles County
15 Health
16 Department.
17 B. Applications for scholarships must be received by the Clerk to the County
18 Commissioners by April 30 of each year for the following school year.
19

1 **SECTION 2.** BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this act shall take effect forty-five (45)
2 calendar days after it becomes law.

3

4

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

5

6

7

8

9

Candice Quinn Kelly, President

10

11

12

13

Reuben B. Collins, II, Esq., Vice President

14

15

16

17

Ken Robinson

18

19

20

Debra M. Davis, Esq.

21

22

23

24

Bobby Rucci

25

26 ATTEST:

27

28

29

Denise Ferguson, Clerk to the Commissioners